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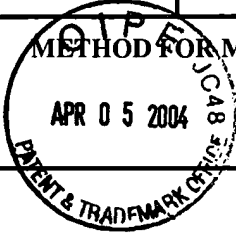
In response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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1653Invention: **METHOD FOR MAINTAINING OR IMPROVING THE SYNTHESIS OF MUCINS****TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

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